



# *Milwaukee County*

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## **SUPERVISOR URGES CONTINUED GROWTH AT MITCHELL AIRPORT**

**Milwaukee, WI** – Milwaukee County Supervisor Michael Mayo, Sr., released the following statement regarding the airlines that serve General Mitchell International Airport:

“Despite recent news that flights would be trimmed to several cities, particularly to the west coast, Milwaukee County’s General Mitchell International Airport continues to be one of the fastest growing airports in the nation. In April, Mitchell Airport extended its string of 20 straight months of record growth while at the same time growing its reach into the lucrative northern Illinois market. During this time, demand for flights has continued to grow, with passenger traffic to west coast destinations including Los Angeles and San Francisco reaching all-time highs. During the last five years, the Milwaukee-Los Angeles route has seen a 36% increase in passengers, while Milwaukee-San Francisco is up 49%.

“This growth is an economic boom for the area and a strategic opportunity that should not be missed by our airlines as more travelers look to the convenience and affordability of flying out of Mitchell Airport. As opportunities develop, I am encouraging all airlines to add new cities to their non-stop roster from Milwaukee.

“With more than 220 daily departures, 54 non-stop destinations, and nine high quality airlines, Mitchell International’s variety has quickly become the envy of airports throughout the nation. Along with my fellow County Board Supervisors, I would like to recognize our airline partners for bringing new and improved service to our travelers in Wisconsin and northern Illinois. At the same time, I encourage them to continue growing with us, particularly to the west coast, and build off of this commitment to the Milwaukee market.”

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